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64th Legislative Day

January 19, 2000

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 91st General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by David Upchurch, Pastor of the Rochester Christian Church, Rochester, Illinois. Pastor Upchurch.

PASTOR DAVID UPCHURCH:

(Prayer by Pastor David Upchurch)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Dudycz)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Reading of the Journal.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Journals of Wednesday, January 12th, and Thursday, January 13th, in the year 2000.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers moves to approve the Journals just read. There being no objection, so ordered. WAND has required {sic} filming of the Session. Is leave granted? The Pekin Daily Times requests taking photographs. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. Messages.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the Secretary of State, January 19th, 2000.

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This office is forwarding herewith copies of the Legislative Committee Organization and Notice of Vacancy -- or, Notification of Vacancy from the Republican Legislative Committee of the 20th Legislative District declaring the existence of a vacancy in the office of Senator in the 91st General Assembly in the 20th Legislative District, as a result of the resignation of Beverly Fawell, effective January 13th, 2000. Also enclosed are copies of the Appointment by the Republican Legislative Committee

of the 20th Legislative District of Peter Roskam, of Wheaton, to the office of Senator from the 20th Legislative District, along with the Oath of Office.

Yours truly, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Klemm, Chair of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Bills 1358, 1359, 1360, 1361, 1362, 1363, 1364 and 1365, all Do Pass.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Dudycz, what -- for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

...privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your...

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Just to inform the Members that we have a special guest that has joined us. The former Cook County State's Attorney is on the Floor visiting with us. Jack O'Malley, who is, like I said, the former State's Attorney, joined us.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Jack O'Malley, please rise and be recognized by the Senate.
Messages.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Messages from the President, January 19th, 2000.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-10, I hereby revise the Senate Schedule for the week of January 24th. Please be advised that the Senate will be in Session on Wednesday, January 26th, and Thursday, January 27th. We will not be in Session on Tuesday, January 25th.

Sincerely, James "Pate" Philip, Senate President.

Another Message, dated January 19th, 2000.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-1(b), I hereby increase the number of Members designated to serve on the Judiciary Committee from ten to eleven. The number of Majority Caucus Members shall be seven, and the number of Minority Caucus Members shall be four, effective immediately.

Sincerely, James "Pate" Philip, President.

Another Message from the President, dated January 19th, 2000.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Please be advised that I have replaced Senator Fawell with Senator Parker as Chair of the Committee on Transportation and I am appointing Senator Dave Syverson as Vice-Chair of Transportation. Also please be advised that I have appointed Senator Brad Burzynski to the Committee on Appropriations and Senator Peter Roskam to the Committees on Judiciary, Revenue and Transportation.

Sincerely, James "Pate" Philip, Senate President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 260, offered by Senator Noland and all
Senators.

It's a death resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Consent Calendar.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

And Senate Resolution 261, offered by Senator Cronin.

It's substantive.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Jones, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR W. JONES:

Mr. President...

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Wait a minute. Could we please have a little order? Senator
Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'd like to

introduce my wife, Jane Jones.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Jane, welcome to the Senate. Could I have your attention, just for one second? We are not going to be in Session next week on Tuesday. We will be in -- we will be in Session on Wednesday and Thursday. That is the 26th and the 27th. So just, everybody, pay attention. You ought to be happy about that. Smile. Good. Did it hurt? Now, we have a new Senator here today, Peter Roskam, taking Beverly Fawell's place. Peter, it's very nice to have you. He represents DuPage County, the 20th Senate District. Peter Roskam. Very nice to have you here, Senator. For what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSKAM:

To acknowledge your kind greeting and to bring greetings from Senator Fawell, and just to say they're very tough shoes to fill and I'm looking forward to working with each and every one of you here. Thank you.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Thank you, Peter. Introduction of Bills.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1368, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill -- pardon me, 1369, offered by Senator Thomas Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1370, offered by Senator Thomas Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1371, offered by Senator Thomas Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1372, offered by Senator Thomas Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill -- pardon me, 1373, offered by Senator Thomas Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1374, offered by Senator Trotter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1375, offered by Senator Trotter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1376, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1377, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1378, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1379, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1380, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1381, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1382, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 1383, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1384, offered by Senator Lauzen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1385, offered by Senator Molaro.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1386, offered by Senator Molaro.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1387, offered by Senator Hawkinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1388, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1389, offered by Senator Bowles.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1390, offered by Senator Parker.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1391, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1392, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1393, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1394, offered by Senators Dudycz and Shaw.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1395, offered by Senators Dudycz and Shaw.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1396, offered by Senator Link.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1397, offered by Senators Bowles and Sieben.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 1398, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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And Senate Bill 1399, offered by Senator Halvorson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

For purposes of an announcement. For those -- for those masochists who have voluntarily signed up to serve on the Senate Appropriations Committee, I want to remind everyone that at 1 o'clock today we have our first Appropriation hearing, and that although the Chamber itself will be excused next Tuesday, Tuesday, January 25th, we do have a hearing at 1 p.m. The subject matter is higher education policy. So although our colleagues may stay home and do whatever it is they do on days that are cancelled, Appropriation Members are invited to Springfield to -- to join in a discussion of public policy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Karpiel, for what purpose do you rise, ma'am? The lady from DuPage County, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Mr. President. I rise to announce a Republican Caucus in Senator Philip's Office immediately. Did everybody hear? We will be having a Republican Caucus immediately in Senator Philip's Office.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The lady from DuPage County announces that there will be a Republican Caucus immediately in Senator Pate Philip's Office. Senator Margaret Smith, for what purpose do you rise, ma'am?

SENATOR SMITH:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen. I'd like to announce that the Democrats will have a caucus at close of this meeting in the Office of Senator Emil Jones. I

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advise all of the Democrats to please be present. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any other business to be brought before the Senate?
Is there any other business to be brought before the Senate? If
not, Senator Weaver moves that the Senate stand adjourned until
9 a.m., Thursday, January 20th, in the year 2000. Once again - I
know you're all listening - we are adjourning till 9 o'clock,
tomorrow morning.

